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SUBJECT: U. S. MEMBERSHIP IN UNESCO REGIONAL GROUPS

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1. ON MAY 11, AFTER PROLONGED AND OCCASIONALLY HEATED DISCUSSION OF QUESTION OF MEMBERSHIP IN UNESCO REGIONAL GROUPS CREATED TO FACILITATE PROGRAM EXECUTION, 40- MEMBER EXECUTIVE BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION APPROVING U. S. AND CANADIAN MEMBERSHIP IN EUROPEAN GROUP, AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND MEMBERSHIP IN ASIAN GROUP AND SOVIET MEMBERSHIP IN ASIAN GROUP IN ADDITION TO PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIP IN EUROPEAN GROUP.

2. U. S. INITIATIVE RE ADMISSION TO EUROPEAN GROUP CAME WITHIN TWO VOTES OF BEING THWARTED BY EFFORT, SPEAR-HEADED BY FRANCE AND EE' S, TO ADJOURN DEBATE UNTIL NEXT SPRING OR DEFER MATTER TO NEXT GENERAL CONFERENCE IN FALL OF 1974. ONCE THESE MANEUVERS WERE DEFEATED, RESOLUTION AS WHOLE WAS ADOPTED BY LOPSIDED VOTE OF 21 TO 1 (FRANCE), WITH FIFTEEN ABSTENTIONS (SENEGAL, CONGO, EE' S, CHILE, KENYA, EGYPT, LEBANON, MEXICO, CHINA, DAHOMEY, ALGERIA, PAKISTAN).

3. ACTION POSTS MAY WISH TO TAKE APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS USG' S WARM APPRECIATION FOR HOST GOVERNMENT' S SUPPORT OF U. S. EFFORTS TO JOIN EUROPEAN GROUP. RUSH

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